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SUBJ: THAMMASAT UNIVERSITY RE-OPENS

1. THAMMASAT UNIVERSIT RE-OPENED ON DEC 1 WITHOUT INCIDENT. THE UNIVERSITY MAINTAINED TIGHT SECURITY THE FIRST DAY, ALLOWING NO STUDENT VEHICLES ON CAMPUS AND STATIONING GUARDS AT ALL ENTRANCES TO SEARCH BOOK BAGS. IT IS EVIDENTLY INTENDED TO MAINTAIN A HIGHER LEVEL OF SECURITY THAN NORMAL FOR SOME TIME. A RELIGIOUS CEREMONY WAS HELD AT 10:00 TO MARK THE OPENING. SUPREME PATRIARCH DELIVERED A SERMON TO STUDENTS IN THE MAIN AUDITORIUM AFTERWARDS, BUT ENOR OF HIS REMARKS NOT RPT NOT AVAILABLE. ON NOV 25, TWO CEREMONIES (ONE BUDDHIST, THE OTHER OF HINDU ORIGIN) WERE HELD AT THAMMASAT TO APPEASE THE SPIRITS OF THOSE KILLED DURING THE OCT 6 INCIDENT.

2. YESTERDAY MARKED THE FIRST DAY OF THE EXAMINATIONS DELAYED ALMOST TWO MONTHS BY THE CLOSING OF THE UNIVERSITY. NOT ALL STUDENTS SHOWED UP FOR THEIR EXAMS, BUT BANGKOK NEWSPAPERS REPORETED RECTOR DR. PRIDI KASEMSAP AS SAYING THAT, SO FAR, HE HAS NO EXACT FIGURE OF HOW MANY STUDENTS ARE ABSENT. HE SUGGESTED THAT "THERE MIGHT BE OTHER REASONS (THAN FLEEING TO THE JUNGLE) WHY THEY DIDN'T SHOW UP." (NOT ALL FACULTIES AT THAMMASAT HOLD THEIR EXAMINATIONS AT THE SAME TIME, AND PRECISE FIGURES

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FOR ABSENTEES MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL THE EXAMINATION

PERIOD IS OVER. CLASSES ARE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN ON
DEC 8, BY WHICH TIME OVERALL ENROLLMENT FIGURES SHOULD
BE AVAILABLE.)
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